



# Tony Talks

Protecting the Innocent  
Punishing the Guilty

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As the 2016-2017 school year has officially concluded, I wanted to take the time to congratulate all of the recent graduates for their hard work and successes! As we celebrate the accomplishments of our graduates and also gear up for another fun summer, I wanted to remind you of some key tips to help ensure safety throughout the season:

## Car Safety

Remember that temperatures inside of a vehicle can rise at a quick rate, even with seemingly cool temperatures outside. Use good judgment and never leave a child at risk for a heatstroke inside of a vehicle.

## Travel Tips

Summer season = vacation season. Make sure you keep your home safe while away with these tips:

## Useful Links

[State's Attorney's Office](#)

[Charles County  
Government](#)

[Child Support  
Enforcement Unit](#)

## SAO Calendar



- Ask a friend or a trusted neighbor to keep an eye over your house during your absence to make sure no suspicious activity is happening.
- Ask a friend or a trusted neighbor to pick up your mail while you're away, or consider putting your mail on hold temporarily. A full mailbox may indicate to potential intruders that you are not home.
- Use light timers inside of your home to give the appearance that someone is still there.
- It may be tempting to post pictures of your fun on social media, but consider waiting until after you return to post pictures from your vacation. Potential intruders may be alerted of your absence through social media.

## Boat Safety



I certainly hope these tips are helpful and you have

a great, safe summer. At the State's Attorney's Office, we have a two-fold mission of protecting the innocent and punishing the guilty. Please see below for highlights on how the office has maintained that mission during the Spring 2017 Quarter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tony". The letters are cursive and fluid.

Anthony B. "Tony" Covington

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### **Updates at the SAO**

- In an effort to keep the community better informed, the State's Attorney's Office (SAO) established a new [website](#) that includes information for victims and witnesses of crime, press releases, community resources, and more. We encourage you to periodically check in and see what's new at the SAO.
- Beginning in July, the Child Support Enforcement Unit will no longer operate under the State's Attorney Office. Child support matters will be handled under the

[Charles County Department of Social Services.](#)

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**Cases of Interest**

**Samantha Nicole Thomas**

On Wednesday, May 17, 2017, Samantha Nicole Thomas, 34 of Waldorf, who sold the drugs to Christopher Wade that ultimately killed him, entered a guilty plea to Manslaughter. Charles County Circuit Court Judge Amy J. Bragunier accepted the guilty plea and then sentenced Thomas to the maximum penalty for manslaughter, 10 years in prison.

[Full Press Release](#)

**Richard Travess Conway**

On Tuesday, May 9, 2017, visiting Prince George's County Circuit Court Judge Erik H. Nyce sentenced Richard Travess Conway, 28 of Waldorf, to an overall sentence of Life plus 50 years in prison for the murder of Robert Mange, conspiring and attempting to murder Krystal Mange, and the reckless endangerment of 4 others. Conway, a Prince George's County police officer at the time of the crimes, conspired with and assisted his mother, Caroline Conway.

[Full Press Release](#)

**Caroline Marie Conway**

On Monday, May 8, 2017, visiting Prince George's County Circuit Court Judge Steven I. Platt sentenced Caroline Marie Conway, 53 of Waldorf, to Life without the possibility of Parole plus 60 years for the First Degree Murder of Robert Mange, Conspiracy to Commit First Degree Murder of Robert Mange, Unlawful Use of a Firearm in the Commission of a

Crime of Violence related to the Murder of Robert Mange, Attempted First Degree Murder of Krystal Mange, Conspiracy to Commit First Degree Murder of Krystal Mange, Unlawful use of a Firearm in the Commission of a Crime of Violence related to the Attempted Murder of Krystal Mange, First Degree Assault of Krystal Mange, Unlawful use of a Firearm in the Commission of a crime of violence related to the First Degree Assault of Krystal Mange, and Reckless Endangerment of four other individuals.

[Full Press Release](#)

**Deavan Quindel Jefferson**

On Friday, May 5, 2017, a Charles County jury convicted Deavan Quindel Jefferson, 20, of Second Degree Murder of Reuel Laparis Hicks, Jr., Unlawful Use of a Firearm in the Commission of a Crime of Violence related to the Murder of Reuel Laparis Hicks, Jr., Possession of a Regulated Firearm under the age of 21, and the Wear, Carry, and Transport of a Handgun Upon Their Person.

[Full Press Release](#)

**Jaime Antonio Rivera**

On Tuesday, April 18, 2017, Jaime Antonio Rivera, 27 of La Plata, entered an Alford Plea to the Sexual Offense in the Third Degree of Rosa Rosales. Visiting Prince George's County Circuit Court Judge Erik H. Nyce sentenced Rivera to 7 years, to run concurrent with a life plus 25 years sentence he received for a case involving the rape of a household member.

[Full Press Release](#)

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## **In the News**

[Woman sentenced to 10 years for manslaughter](#)

[Former PG cop sentenced for murder](#)

[Grandmother sentenced to life without parole](#)

[Movie theater shooter guilty of second-degree murder](#)

[Man sentenced for stabbing girlfriend](#)

[Man sentenced to 18 months for domestic assault](#)

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## SAO in the Community



On Saturday, April 29, 2017, I was invited by the Tri-County MD Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. to be a panelist for an

important discussion regarding police and community relations, as well as human trafficking in our State.



On Thursday, April 20, 2017, I was honored to speak at St. Charles High School's National Honor Society Induction Ceremony. The students who were inducted exemplify the National Honor's Society's four pillars of scholarship, character, leadership, and

service. Congratulations to all the students who were inducted that night and may you continue your good work.



On Thursday, April 13, 2017, recognizing Sexual Assault Awareness Month, Assistant State's Attorney Sarah Freeman spoke at the College of Southern Maryland's, in partnership with Center for Abused Persons, "Speak Up, Speak Out" event discussing the importance of speaking out against sexual assault and the resources available to victims.



On Monday, April 3, 2017, I was honored to speak at The Center for Abused Persons 23rd Annual Candlelight Vigil held at the Charles County Courthouse. Strength. Resilience. Justice. is the theme for 2017. If we want JUSTICE in our communities, we must support crime victims and witnesses.

I enjoy meeting and engaging with members of the community. If you have an event that you would like me and/or representatives of my office to attend, please send an email request [here](#).

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### **Stay Connected**

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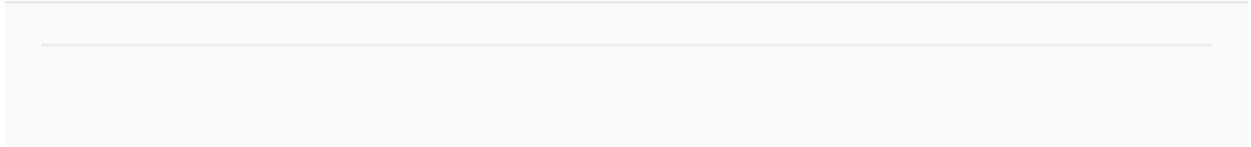
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